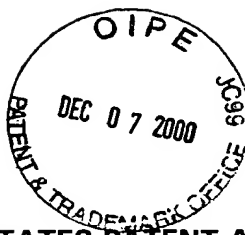


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Matthias GRAF et al.
Title: Method and Apparatus for the Production of
Extra-Wide Veneers
Appl. No.: 09/546,287
Filing Date: April 10, 2000
Examiner: Unassigned
Art Unit: Unassigned

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a two-month extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

The extension fee for response within the fourth month is \$1,390.00. A check for this amount is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

Date December 7, 2000

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